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NATIONALISTS FACED BY NEW RED THREAT

Southward Thrust Only 40 Miles From Nanking ARMY GROUP ENCIRCLED

Shanghai, December 2.

Nationalist forces are moving Northward from the North bank of the Yangtse to meet the newest Red thrust Southward represented by strong Communist units somewhere near Changping, only 40 miles North of Nanking.

Pro-Government reports admitted that small bands of Communists were active in that area but claimed that strong Government forces were striking Northward from the Yangtse to contact the Reds at Kolsien and Changping.

Anglo-Siamese Defensive Alliance?

Bangkok, December 2.
An Anglo-Siamese defensive alliance was forecast by Siamese political observers today as the outcome of the talks between Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General in South East Asia, and Field Marshal Pibul Songgram, Siamese Prime Minister, this week.

The observers considered the talks indicated a step towards making Siam a stronghold against further Communist moves in South East Asia.

It was stressed that the real trouble spot was not the Siam-Malay frontier, but across Siam's North and North Eastern borders, the strengthening of which depended not only on military aid but also on speedy reconstruction of road and rail transport.—Reuter.

Tentative Agreement On Coast

San Francisco, December 2.
Members of the unaffiliated Marine Firemen's Union will vote today on the terms of a wage agreement which would end their 91-day-old strike.

Vincent J. Mulone, Union President, announced that a tentative agreement had been reached with the Pacific American shipowners.

The sole question remaining is whether the firemen will accept a \$2 a month wage increase or will hold out for their original demands of \$21.50.

With the firemen coming in terms, only the G.I.O. marine cooks and radio operators remain on strike in the three-month-old West coast port tie-up.

The cooks and shipowners are reported to be near a settlement but the radio operators and shipowners are still far apart on wage demands.—Associated Press.

Tojo Gives World Last Message

Tokyo, December 2.

Behind locked doors in Sugamo prison cell, Tojo in the presence of two American Army officers, gave his last message to the world to his Buddhist priest, Nobukatsu Hanayama.

Tojo pleaded the cause of peace and emphasized the futility of war, to the priest, who took down Tojo's message during a one-hour interview.

Hanayama, who gave only a very brief outline of Tojo's message, said that he would release it immediately after the execution.

"Tojo is now a completely changed man," the slender bespectacled priest said when interviewed in his small farm-house-like home on the outskirts of Tokyo.

"Since Tojo embraced the Buddhist faith six months ago, he has lost his belief in war. A devout believer in Buddhism, he

together with knowledge of the sufferings the war caused the peoples of the world, has convinced him that there are other and better means of solving world problems."

Tojo said that he was anxious Hanayama tell the world the real reason for his suicide attempt immediately after the surrender.

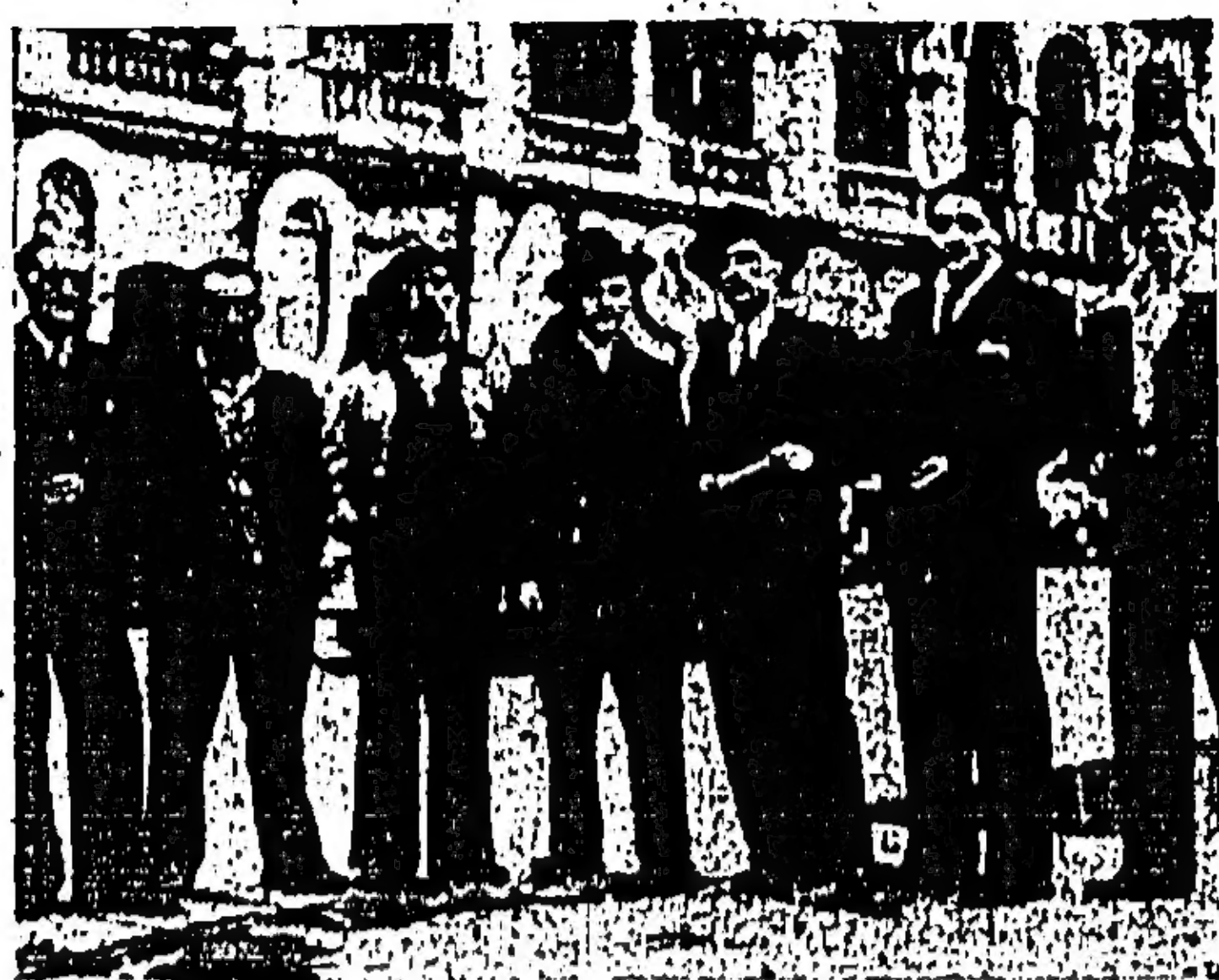
"I have promised Tojo to keep this secret until he is dead. It

The priest, who formerly visited Sugamo prison twice weekly, is now going daily, sometimes staying overnight.

"I want to make sure that Tojo and the other condemned men die with a firm belief in Buddhism," he said.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

San Francisco, December 2.
The Chinese Communist Radio today claimed the capture of Huachow, big Nationalist base 200 miles North West of Nanking.—Associated Press.



The seven European seamen from the Panamanian freighter Mando, who are demanding more food and better pay and working conditions aboard the vessel. Second from right is Capriotti Gastone, veteran cook, who is being repatriated to Venice after being discharged by the master at Saigon.—(China Mail) Photo.

Labour Troubles Delay Sailing Of Panamanian Ship

Labour troubles delayed the departure of the Panamanian freighter Mando for Port Campha yesterday when six European members of the crew demanded more food and better pay and working conditions.

Several meetings between the master, Mr. Eulalio L. Carrera (Panamanian Consul General), Colonel J. E. Briceno (Panamanian Minister to China) and the seamen during the past three days failed to settle the matter.

The ss. Mando is being held up by the Panamanian Consul General, pending settlement of the trouble.

The six men—two Irish seamen, an Italian stoker, a Dutch stoker, a Spanish carpenter and a Spanish waiter—will see Mr. Carrera at 10 a.m. today when they will suggest new conditions of work. Capriotti Gastone, chief cook, who was discharged, is making arrangements for his repatriation to Venice by plane.

Mr. Carrera told the "China Mail" yesterday that the men approached him on their arrival here recently regarding food, pay and working conditions aboard the Mando.

The 34-man crew of the vessel are mostly refugees who were willing to take a chance to leave Europe, he declared. They just signed on without studying the details of the contract, which they now regard as not valid.

Found Legal

The contract, however, was found to be legal in law, Mr. Carrera said, after a brief meeting with the master and Mr. D. L. Strellett yesterday afternoon at the Consulate.

"The men were foolish to sign on without knowing the conditions," he stated.

The men complained that they were not given sufficient food en route and that their pay was very low.

Mr. Carrera said that three of the men had not signed and they could leave the ship if they wanted to. The Italian chief cook was discharged at Saigon by the master, he would be repatriated. The remaining men would have to abide by the contract.

"I would like to take this opportunity to advise seamen working aboard Panamanian vessels to approach the Consulate when they are in trouble and not to inconvenience other local seamen unnecessarily," the Consul told the "China Mail."

"Every assistance possible will be given," he added.

The seven men, including the Italian chief cook, Gastone, who said he had been at sea for about 16 years, told the "China Mail" that they were given a very bad diet en route from Antwerp to Port Said thence to Hong Kong.

Petition To Master

"At Port Said 10 of us petitioned the master for more food, better pay and decent working conditions," young Mike Howlin, hailing from Ireland, and who joined the vessel at Liverpool last year, said. There the Panamanian Consul inspected the ship and after a conference with the master, the chief cook was given authority to supervise the rations for the crew.

The master, Howlin declared, in the presence of the Consul and crew that he would give them what they wanted.

For one week after they left Port Said, Howlin said, they were decently fed, and everything went on smoothly.

The rest started again when they were at sea for about 10 days. The cook was dived of his power. Food got less and less. When they got chicken,

twice a week, he alleged, the whole crew had to share five chickens. Sometimes, he claimed, they were given stale mutton.

Each man was given five or six potato chips and a small piece of meat, Gastone stated. They did not get any vegetables for a long time during the trip.

"We could not get a second helping at mealtimes," the chef claimed. "Most of us had to leave the table hungry."

Master's Statement
Matters came to a head at Saigon, when the chef told the steward that the rations for the crew were not sufficient. Faced with the alternative of choosing between the steward and the chef, the master discharged the Italian, who travelled to the Colony as a passenger, pending repatriation.

Mr. Demetrios Christoforidis, Greek master of the Mando, told the "China Mail" that the men were given sufficient food. "The other members of the crew are satisfied," he said.

At the suggestion of the Panamanian Consul here, he has agreed to provide his men with "English rations."

"If the men are not obliged to continue the trip," Mr. Christoforidis declared, "they will be repatriated. But if they are willing to go on I will gladly have them back. As for the chief cook I will repatriate him to Venice by plane, if the immigration permits him to land here."

No Pay Increase
The master stated that he may agree to suggestions of better working conditions, but he will not reconsider an increase in pay.

Messageries Maritimes, charterer of the freighter which arrived here last week-end with 1,800 tons of iron bars and 800 tons of rice from Saigon, reported that the vessel will leave in ballast for Port Campha as soon as the trouble is settled. The Mando is expected to pick up 9,000 tons of coal at the port, which is near Haiphong, for Japan.

The Weather
At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HK Standard Time) a tropical depression was centred about 200 miles NE of Saigon either stationary or moving slowly N or NW. The anticyclone over China continues to lose intensity. A trough has developed from the Sea of Okhotsk to a deepening depression SE of Guam.

Today's Forecast—Light or moderate NW winds predominating. Cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle.
Maximum: 86.7 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 80.2 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: Nil.
Rainfall: 12.8 mm.—0.48 in. Total since Jan. 1—475.3 mm.—18.74 in. as against an average of 2114.2 mm.—83.23 in.

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NORTH CHINA EVACUEES SAIL FOR HONG KONG

Tientsin, December 2.

A total of 141 foreign residents in North China were evacuated here today amid a rousing send-off from relatives and friends who had decided to stick it out.

Ranging from babes in arms to septuagenarians, they sailed in a special launch for Taku Bar, where the Jardine steamer Wing Sang will take them to Hong Kong.

The sun smiled and the wintry winds abated sympathetically as Tientsin residents gathered from early morning for Wing Sang Evacuation Day at Jardine's premises.

Here Customs, gendarmarie, city police, river police, quarantine, census and representatives of other Chinese organisations, less easily identifiable, took part in the processing of passengers.

This contrasted sharply with the recent evacuations effected aboard an American naval craft when such extensive formalities were waived.

The majority of the passengers were Britons, with about 80 per cent other nationalities, including American, French, Belgian, Chinese, Indian, Danish and Polish.

Prms And Baths

Although the evacuees were warned that only hand luggage was permitted, the launch-crafts belonging had been sent ahead—there were trunks and crates, and suitcases and bags brought in a last minute rush.

The result was that passengers and luggage were packed tight in the tiny launch amidst prams and baby bath-tubs.

Consular officials were among the "tremendous crowd of friends and relatives" who came to the quayside to wave the evacuees farewell.

As the casting off time neared, half a dozen Indians came rushing in with bulky luggage. But when the gang-plank was removed and fastened, one Indian discovered that his possessions were not aboard.

Perspiring and frantic, he scrambled ashore, dressed in a Chinese padded jacket. He dashed away but promptly retracted his steps remembering that a comrade aboard had his passport.

Spirits High
There was excited shouting and searching amidst some half a dozen passports until the

right one was found and passed ashore.

Then the Indian disappeared in search of his belongings but when he found them, the launch had cast off to three cheers from the crowd ashore and a hearty response from those aboard.

Although uncomfortably crowded, spirits were high at the thought of leaving the confused and obscure North China situation behind.—Reuter.

The Princess

London, December 2.
Princess Elizabeth has made continuous and satisfactory progress since the birth of her son on November 14, an official bulletin said today.

"She is now getting up for several hours each day," it added. "The infant Prince is doing well and has made a steady gain in weight. No further bulletin will be issued."

The Princess has not been out of the Palace building because of the weather, a Court correspondent reported. No arrangements have as yet been announced for the christening of the infant Prince.—Reuter.

MADAME SUN FO RUMOUR

Shanghai, December 2.
A spokesman for the Premier, Dr. Sun Tse, today denied a Hong Kong report that Madame Sun Fo had gone to Hong Kong.

The spokesman said Madame Sun Fo is staying in the hospital where her husband is receiving treatment for a foot ailment and has no intention of leaving.—Reuter.

Fighting Raging In South Korea

Seoul, December 2.

Fierce battles again have broken out between South Korean forces and Communist raiders from North Korea around the vital Yungwol power plant.

The Yungwol plant was unsuccessfully attacked by an estimated 1,000 raiders last week. The plant supplies nearly half its electricity used in South Korea.

It is 140 miles South East of Seoul and 50 miles South of the North Korean border.

The North Korean People's Army and South Korean police and soldiers are engaged in battle at Yangsang, Koesan and Yunglu, lying in an arc about 20 miles South of the power plant.

Traffic to and from the town of Yungwol had been completely cut and telephone communications suspended for the past two days.

The insurgents have cut the domestic and undersea cable lines at four widely separated points in South Korea.

Seoul police detectives raided the headquarters of the leftist labour union today but made no arrests.

Two Seoul newspapers were suspended by the Government under the newspaper law adopted during the Japanese regime.

The Democratic Daily was formerly recognized as a leftist organ. The Korean Daily criticized National Assemblymen for having passed the law calling for

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U.S. Freighter Reported Sunk Off Taiwan

Shanghai, December 2.

The Chinese press reported this morning that one member of the crew was missing and two others are missing when the American freighter, Ruby Queen, grounded off the coast of Takao, Southern Taiwan, and sank.

No other details were given. The ship was said to be en route from Manila to the Japanese Ryukyu Islands.—Reuter.

Diplomatic Corps To Stay On

Nanking, December 2.

The Chinese Government today expressed its readiness to provide facilities to members of the foreign diplomatic missions in Nanking and their dependents wishing to evacuate to other places in face of the present military situation.

This was announced in a statement issued by Dr. Shih Chang-yang, a spokesman of the Foreign Office, at a press conference this afternoon.

Dr. Shih revealed, however, that Mr. Jacques Meyrier, the French Ambassador and dozen of the diplomatic corps, has informed the Foreign Office that the heads of foreign missions have decided to stay in Nanking to be near the President of the Republic as accredited representatives of their respective countries.

The Foreign Office spokesman said at the same time that the Chinese Government had informed the foreign diplomatic representatives that the Nanking Government has no intention of removing the capital to somewhere else.

British Plans

British residents of Nanking met at their Embassy to discuss British official plans for concentration in places of safety in the event of the civil war reaching Nanking.

Residents were given assignments for concentration in specified sections of the city in the event of trouble, with all going into the Embassy itself or other places of safety should local fighting develop.—Reuter and Associated Press.

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With the China situation deteriorating daily, the chances of house-starved Hong Kong residents securing proper and suitable dwelling accommodation are rapidly diminishing. Continued influx of well-to-do evacuees from Chinese cities is indirectly nullifying the house-requisitioning power vested in the Competent (Quartermaster) Authority.

Premises vacant for months before the recent worsening of the China situation, have been practically all occupied by or booked for evacuees. Newly-built apartments for which exorbitant rentals and "key money" are demanded are also being taken up by evacuees. In addition, premises which will not be completed for three or six months are also being booked by agents or relatives sent down from Shanghai and Nanking by people unable to leave the Chinese cities at present owing to pressure of either lack of passage to the Colony.

In a tour made by the "China Mail" reporters, several small parties of non-Cantonese speaking men were observed hunting for premises in districts where new buildings are being constructed.

No Deferment

The high rentals and accompanying "construction fees" are apparently no deterrent, as in one instance an uncompleted building, containing eight apartments, was completely booked within 12 hours after being inspected by one of these groups of house hunters from the North. The building, according to the contractors, will not be ready for accommodation until three months later.

Every day, similar groups of men, either on behalf of themselves or acting as agents, haunt districts where new buildings are going up.

From one reliable source, the "China Mail" learned yesterday that one Chinese firm has paid out more than HK\$500,000 in rent deposits and "key money" for premises to accommodate relatives and friends who have not yet arrived in the Colony.

The demand for housing by the evacuees has sent rents and "key money" to new heights. One Hong Kong resident, who has lived in the Colony for more than 10 years, told the "China Mail" yesterday that three weeks ago he went to a new block of apartments in the vicinity of Prince Edward Road, Nathan Road and Boundary Street. The rent for a four room flat was then HK\$200 and "key money" HK\$5,000.

A week later when he decided to rent one of the flats, the rent had jumped to HK\$300 and the "key money" to HK\$4,000. Last week, the rent had increased further to HK\$350 a month and "key money" to HK\$6,000. Yesterday the block was fully taken up.

Similar disclosures were made by other house-hunting residents of Hong Kong who are compelled to live in overcrowded conditions because of their refusal to pay "key money."

Prince Axel Entertained

About 300 people attended a cocktail party at the Hong Kong Hotel last night in honour of Prince Axel of Denmark who is paying a short visit to the Colony.

Prince Axel, who is Chairman of the East Asiatic Company, will leave here on Sunday to continue his tour of some of the 32 offices of his company.

Guests at the party were met by Prince Axel, Mrs. Storm Jorgensen and Mr. Jorgensen who is acting manager of the company. Mr. H. Christiansen, managing director, and Mr. M. Rugh, manager of the Hong Kong branch.

Fully Booked

At Happy Valley, three-quarters of one eight-apartment building which has been vacant for a considerable period because of the high rent is today still vacant but fully booked up for evacuees preparing to flee to Hong Kong from Shanghai.

Along King's Road, several new buildings are also still vacant but awaiting occupants from the North for whom the premises have been booked.

In other parts of the Colony internal situations exist today. Apartment brokers in the Colony have been reaping small fortunes since the influx of evacuees.

For a 10 per cent commission they find premises for people new to the Colony or who are too lazy to search for houses themselves.

One unconfirmed report said that a number of these brokers has organised a syndicate which "buys" up whole blocks of completed or uncompleted flats with rent deposits and "key money" and rents out the flats to individuals from the North for higher rentals and more "key money."

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H.K. Chinese Medical Association Social Evening, Luk Kwok Hotel, 7.30 p.m.

Exhibition of Paintings by Mr. M. G. Wong, Hotel Cecil, Chater Rd., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Reception for Bishop, Hall, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 4 p.m.

H.K. Light Orchestra rehearsal, 27B, Robinson Road, 8 p.m.

St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong, annual general meeting, Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Play "Mr. Faint Heart" at European YMCA, West Lounge, 8.45 p.m.

Shanghai Peking Rubber Estate Ltd., annual general meeting, 201-203, Marina House, 12 noon.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Diocesan Girls' School Bazaar formal opening, by Mrs. Matthews, 2.15 p.m.

Exhibition of paintings by Mr. M. G. Wong, Hotel Cecil, Chater Rd., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Ex-Gunners Roll of Hong Kong, St. Barbara's Day, Cocktail Party, 6.30 to 8 p.m.

H.M. Dockyard Recreation Club Supper Dance, China Fleet Club.

SUNDAY

H.K. Art Club Sketching Party, in New Territories, assemble at Kowloon Star Ferry, 10.30 a.m.

Exhibition of paintings by Mr. M. G. Wong, Hotel Cecil, Chater Rd., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Classical Concert, The H. Club, Talbot House, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.

Musical Recital by James Huang and C. K. Wong, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 9 p.m.

St. John Ambulance Parade, Field Day Manoeuvres, at Shatin, 12 noon.

Allocations Of Seized Premises

Most of the vacant premises seized by the Government have already been allocated to 15 families, but their names will not be disclosed until all allocations are completed.

Three of the 36 premises were de-requisitioned following successful appeals by the landlords.

In some premises, the new tenants would have to install lighting and arrange for a water supply as well as erect partitions. Rents, which would be reasonable, had not yet been fixed.

Under the terms of their agreement, the tenants would be evicted if they attempted to sub-let part of their room.

Mr. Whitley said the largest family was one of 12, followed by one of 11 and many of eight and nine.

In one case, a family of nine now living in an area of about 100 square feet, would now be moved into a room with an area of 250 square feet.

The committee was trying as far as possible to put two families on each floor but in Franks Street, Kowloon, there would be room for only one family on each of the six top floors and two on the first and second floors. There would be no overcrowding in any of the premises.

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The marriage of Miss Evelyn Jettette Li and Mr. Kenneth Kuo-chao Lu took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon.

The Rev. George She officiated. Wearing a French satin gown with silver trimming round the neckline and a long tulle veil held by a coronet of beads, the bride was given away by her grandfather, Mr. Li Shu-pang. Her maid of honour, Miss Alice Li, who is a sister of the bridegroom, wore a pink tulle dress with silver trimmings. Miss Eva Lu, in blue tulle and Miss Edith Lu, in mauve tulle, were bridesmaids.

The bride was also attended by two cousins, Miss Mabel Li as flower girl and Master Tse Pak-kun as pageboy.

A brother of the bridegroom, Mr. Kuo-wah Lu, was best man.

At the reception at the Kum Ling restaurant, the bride wore a Chinese pink and silver evening gown. She is in her third year at the Hong Kong University studying Arts and is chairman of the Arts Association. The bridegroom studied at Oregon State College, U.S.A.

A Lucrative Racket Comes To End

The vigilance of Detectives Yuen Kong and Muk Tsai put an abrupt end to a most lucrative trade which earned for three unemployed Chinese from Canton a total of \$433 in three days.

Tong Bun, aged 32, Tong Ngai-chor, aged 37, and Wong Tak-luen, aged 30, traded on the gullibility and inherent greed of some women with such success that they obtained 10 real gold rings in exchange for 10 imitation gold bangles during the short time they were in the Colony.

These rings are now in the hands of the police, awaiting claimants, but will be confiscated if none of those women who have been victimised in Hong Kong and Kowloon puts in a claim within two weeks.

Wong Tak-luen, charged before Mr. W. H. Lattimer at Kowloon yesterday with unlawful possession of the 10 rings, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. His two confederates, on the charges of larceny by trick, were sent down for six months. All were recommended to be banished.

Dropped Paper

Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said that at 12.30 p.m. on November 23, a woman was walking along Prince Edward Road, with the first and second defendants in front. Tong Bun dropped a paper packet which was opened by Tong Ngai-chor just as the woman passed.

The packet was found to contain a "gold" bangle. Second accused took the woman, not to say anything about it, and he would share the proceeds with her. The first defendant, realising his steps, and asked the second accused whether he had picked up anything.

Tong Ngai-chor replied in the affirmative, and said that Tong Bun had to pay some tea-money before he could get the return of the gold bangle. The second man suggested that the woman should take the bangle to be melted down, but Tong Bun said, "You both are strangers and I must ask you two to hand me something as security before taking the bangle to melt."

Second accused took a genuine gold ring from his finger and handed it to the first defendant. The woman said that she had nothing, but on being asked to search her pockets she produced \$15 and a gold ring. These she handed to the first defendant.

Suspicious Manner

Detectives Yuen and Muk, passing by on a bus, saw the three persons standing on the pavement. As they were behaving in a somewhat suspicious manner the detectives got off the bus and went up to them. The woman then told her story.

In the police station, the gold rings were found in the pockets of first defendant's jacket. Questioned, they furnished the detectives with information which led them to Room 408, New Palace Hotel, Wossing Street.

There they found the third accused, and 20 "gold" bangles contained in two cigarette tins. When searched, two gold rings were found inside the third man's trousers.

Describing the setting up of the order in England in 1890, the speaker said that the Order was given a new charter by Queen Victoria in 1895. Brothers of the Order decided to devote their energies to curing for the health of the sick and wounded, both in peace and war, training nurses, and engaging in other charitable works.

These humanitarian activities were undertaken by the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade, and their organisation is today to be found in most countries where the Order of St. John of Jerusalem has been set up.

The speaker was thanked by Rotarian Lam.

President F. C. Clement, on behalf of Kowloon Rotary, extended a welcome to Visiting Rotarians Percy Kwok and Ralph Mortensen from Shanghai, and Chas. A. Reinhardt from Tientsin.

Among the large number of guests present were Dr. T. W. Ware, Captain G. Len Bailey, and Messrs. W. Ingram, J. F. Church, F. A. Schütz, E. Clave, J. G. Meyer, Starbuck, E. Jone, Y. L. Wu, P. W. Wood, M. W. Runney, N. P. Smith and J. D. Yalley.

stocking with another eight hidden inside a pair of stockings in a leather suitcase.

The third defendant, admitted to the police that all the 10 rings were obtained by means of the same trick from women in Hong Kong and Kowloon during the three days they were in the Colony.

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WARNING

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G. H. THOMAS,
Ag. Director
of Medical Services.

December 1, 1948.

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A. W. Hay-Edie,
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MME CHIANG IN WASHINGTON

Cool Reception By Press And Officials

Deliveries Of War Material To Russia

London, December 1. A suggestion in the House of Commons today that Britain should cease the deliveries of war material to Russia until the Berlin blockade is lifted, was rejected by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Mayhew.

It is more important to meet the cold war with cold heads," Mr. Mayhew said, adding that in her economic and commercial relations with Eastern European countries, the British Government is guided by the degree of advantage to British interests.

The former Foreign Secretary and deputy leader of the Conservative Opposition, Mr. Anthony Eden, said it seemed incongruous that Britain should deliver war material in strong language to Russia and at the same time export valuable raw materials.

Mr. Mayhew replied that political relations have an influence on economic relations, but he could only repeat that the Government intends to deal with all cases on their merits. —Reuter

HUGE FIGURES ON AMERICAN AID

Washington, December 1. The United States has supplied at least \$3,500,000,000 in aid to China since the start of World War II.

This is according to an estimate in an article on American-Chinese relations in the current issue of the American Foreign Service Journal, the house organ of American diplomats.

"Some of the help has been in cash, some in merchandise. The amount includes \$400,000,000 provided by Congress last April. Of that amount \$100,000,000 was for military assistance. The assistance provided prior to the end of the war with Japan was estimated at \$1,400,000,000. The post-war aid was estimated at \$2,000,000,000.

The post-war figure included \$400,000,000 Congressional appropriation last April, surplus military supplies estimated at \$181,000,000 and the 72 per cent share that the United States paid on goods supplied by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

The magazine's estimate did not include the gift of 98 naval vessels and other more intangible items. —Reuter

HALIFAX CRASH

Paris, December 1. Two were killed and six injured when a Halifax transport plane belonging to a French company crashed after taking off in thick fog from Bron Aerodrome, near Lyons, today.

A woman from Casablanca and one of her children were killed. The pilot, the radio operator and the mechanic were taken to hospital. —Reuter

CALL-UP CUT

Washington, December 2. The United States Army announced today that it had decided to cut the January call-up to 10,000 and the February call-up to 5,000 for financial reasons. —Reuter

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NO APPOINTMENTS WITH PRESIDENT

Washington, December 1.

A frosty morning, a chilly press and a cool officialdom greeted Madame Chiang Kai-shek when she arrived in Washington today to seek American aid for her husband's retreating armies in China.

No appointments were fixed for her. President Truman's calling list for the day omitted her name.

State Department officials said they know of no immediate plans for her to meet either the Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, who is in hospital, or the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett.

Madame Chiang maintained the silence that she imposed on herself on her arrival at San Francisco yesterday. Her answer to all reporters' queries was "No comment."

It appeared that she meant to make no public pronouncements until she had talked with high American officials. The reception she is due to get from these officials, however, is universally expected to be unresponsive.

Madame Chiang kept the capital guessing what she intends to do to get new American backing for the hard-pressed Nationalist

Smiling but tight-lipped, the first lady of China stepped from her plane and went immediately to the nearby Leesburg, Virginia, home of the U.S. Secretary of State and Mrs. Marshall.

Some hours later, she posed for newsmen on the lawn of the Marshall home, and said: "I wish to express appreciation for the interest and sympathy shown to my country—China—by our American friends."

Consultation With Envoy

"As I have been flying continuously since Sunday morning I still feel dizzy, even on terra firma. I know you will understand and give me a little time to recoup my equilibrium."

I am happy to be here in the historic and hospitable home of my good friends, General and Mrs. Marshall.

Once, during the picture taking, she turned to Mrs. Marshall and remarked: "This is my wedding anniversary." (She and the Generalissimo were married 11 years ago.)

Mrs. Marshall replied, "We must have a celebration."

"It is enough of a celebration just being here," said Madame Chiang.

The White House and State Department professed to have no word of how the General's wife proposed to pass her eleventh-hour plan for help.

The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, and H. H. Kung, former Nanking Prime Minister, motored to Leesburg to confer with her.

Madame Chiang, attired in a Chinese-style gown, shook hands first with Mrs. Marshall, her hostess. She accepted a bouquet of roses presented by the young daughter of the Embassy Counselor, S. C. Wang, on behalf of the Chinese Women's Association of Washington.

Official Coolness

Then, with hardly a glance at reporters and the battery of news cameras, she walked with Mrs. Marshall to the Secretary's car and was driven away.

She replied, "No, I do not" to Mrs. Marshall's question whether she wanted to make a statement.

After her arrival, the Presidential Press Secretary, Charles O. Ross, said there had been no request for an appointment for Madame Chiang with Mr. Truman.

At the State Department the Under-Secretary, Robert A. Lovett, told a news conference in the early afternoon he knew of no request that he or Secretary Marshall talk with her.

However, Democratic Senator Tom Connally, prospective chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has said his or other committees would be willing to hear from her.

Strategy To Be Worked Out

It appeared that the strategy of her single-handed drive to obtain greater American aid remained to be worked out. In a conference with her Washington advisers, newspapers continued to play prominently Madame Chiang's arrival and her hopes to obtain assistance for her seemingly tottering government.

"American policy-makers will be under siege beginning today at the hands of one of the most captivating women in world affairs," said the Washington Post in an editorial.

"She has a gift of words as vivid as Winston Churchill's and eloquence in expressing them unequalled among present day women."

Blunt Speaking

In reference to her mission, the Post continued: "However, the facts are against our distinguished visitor. The issue of the fighting in China is that arms to the Chiang Kai-shek Administration merely find their way to Communist armies. It is not want of arms which accounts for Nationalist failures. It is lack of will to fight and the blunt reason is that the Chinese have no confidence in their leadership."

"That should be kept in mind, no matter how skillfully Madame Chiang tries to instill into the sentimental American a sense of guilt and responsibility for China's plight." —Reuter and Associated Press.

Petain In Ill Health

Paris, December 2. Marshal Philippe Petain, now on the late d'Yeu serving life sentence for being responsible for the Vichy Government's collaboration with Germany, has weakened considerably.

The announcement was made by the Minister of Information, M. Francois Mitterand.

Petain was rumoured in Paris that the French Cabinet may have decided to remove the Marshal from the island, off the Bay of Biscay, and take him to Hlennuue Loubet, in the South of France, where he originally had a house.

According to M. Mitterand, nothing had yet been decided about such a move. —Associated Press.

ONE MORE FOR DEMOCRATS

Washington, December 1. A Presidential election recount has given the Democrats another House of Representatives seat in New York. They have thus a margin of 91 over the Republicans in the new Congress.

The figures based on the recount are: Democrats 222, Republicans 171, American Labour one and one vacancy. The vacancy is in a normally Democratic district of Brooklyn. —Reuter.

Gibraltar, December 1. The 1st Battalion Camerounians embarked today for Trieste aboard the troopship Empire Test after garrisoning the Rock for two years. Their families stayed behind. —Reuter.

Co-operation Best Hope For Peace

New York, December 2.

Mr. Paul Hoffman, Chief of the Economic Co-operation Administration, said today that ERP has brought a new spirit of co-operation in Western Europe that is our best hope of peace.

Mr. Hoffman, who goes to London next Saturday on the start of a world ECA inspection, was addressing a meeting of the National Association of Manufacturers.

"ECA already has resulted in a substantial increase in Europe's productivity. But an even more important result is a real start toward breaking down the barriers that divide Europe into separate, uneconomic segments."

He listed as solid achievements the intra-European currency clearance programme to expedite credits effective on November 1, the economic merging of the Benelux countries, negotiations between Italy and France on a new Customs Union and Britain's offer of more than £75,000,000 in credits to European nations.

"These steps are only the beginning," Mr. Hoffman said.

"We expect that further efforts to break down national barriers to increased trade in Europe will multiply in scope and effectiveness. We intend to encourage them with all the force and pressure we can muster."

DO YOU KNOW YOUR HONG KONG?

The photograph in Page Six shows the steps leading up to Sun Tung Street.

Little Late But Not Too Late, Says China Envoy

New York, December 2.

The Chinese Ambassador Dr. Wellington Koo, appealed today for quick American aid to China. He said the Chinese Government is ready to accept corruption-proof American control of expenditures.

In an address to the China Institute, Dr. Koo declared that if China falls behind the iron curtain, Asia will lose her freedom too, and that the burden and responsibility of America as the leader of freedom's crusade will increase a hundred-fold.

"As the grave situation stands today, time is of the essence," he said. "It may be a little late but it is not too late yet."

The envoy came here after conferring in Washington with Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

With an obvious reference to Soviet Russia, Dr. Koo declared the Communist forces which are advancing on Nanking are aided and abetted, however clandestinely, by a mighty external power.

Urgent Need

In the present crisis China had a very urgent need of moral, material and military assistance, he said.

But he did not spell out what he being sought specifically beyond the US\$400,000,000 which the U.S. Congress voted for China today for the present year. This includes US\$125,000,000 for military assistance.

Dr. Koo explained that payments from this fund are made directly by the U.S. Treasury to Government departments or American manufacturers supplying arms to China.

He said the Chinese suggested this procedure so as to avoid any necessity of the Chinese side touching the fund.

"There is no reason why the same methods could not be adopted

for handling increased aid in the future," Dr. Koo went on.

Will Fight On

"Indeed, so far as China is concerned, I dare say that we would welcome any suggestion to improve on the present methods, and make them, if possible, even more corruption-proof. So there is no sound reason to be anxious about the possibility of corruption being practiced if further aid is given to China."

Dr. Koo also appealed for American patience in waiting for reforms which, he said, have not been easy to carry out in China in the midst of a war against a formidable enemy.

Even should further aid be denied, Dr. Koo said, the Chinese people will fight on just the same to save their country from falling a total victim to Communist aggression.

In her 4,000 years of history, he said, China has managed to preserve freedom through many grave crises, and he added: "As in the past, so in the future, there will always be a China." —Associated Press.

China A 'Poor Business Risk'

New Orleans, December 2.

Mr. William Chesney Martin, President of the Export and Import Bank, said today that it would be a "poor business risk" for the United States to lend China more money at this time.

The Bank is one of the United States agencies through which a loan by this country to China could be handled.

Mr. Martin said Congress and the Economic Co-operation Administration could also lend money to the war-torn nation. He pointed out that Congress did not meet until January and said he did not believe the ECA had enough money for China's needs —nor did the Export and Import Bank.

In an interview, Mr. Martin indicated that the Bank would not approve further funds for China until the civil war was over.

"We loaned China during the last ten years nearly US\$250,000,000. They've paid back about US\$180,000,000," he said.

He added that the Bank was already committed to lend China another US\$200,000,000 but the money had not been disbursed. He pointed out that this probably would be only a fraction of the nation's needs. —United Press.

JUST A SLIP OF THE TONGUE

Paris, December 1.

Mr. Peter Fraser, New Zealand's Prime Minister, tonight amazed the United Nations Minor Political Committee by demanding that Japan be admitted to membership of the UN.

He built up a strong case for her admission until delegates realised that it was a slip of the tongue.

It would be a disgraceful prostitution of the power of the Security Council if Japan were made the plaything in the discussion and strife within that body," Mr. Fraser declared.

He reached the end of his speech before he corrected himself.

Looking round a laughing Assembly, he added ruefully: "I hope it will be many years

before Japan comes into the United Nations."

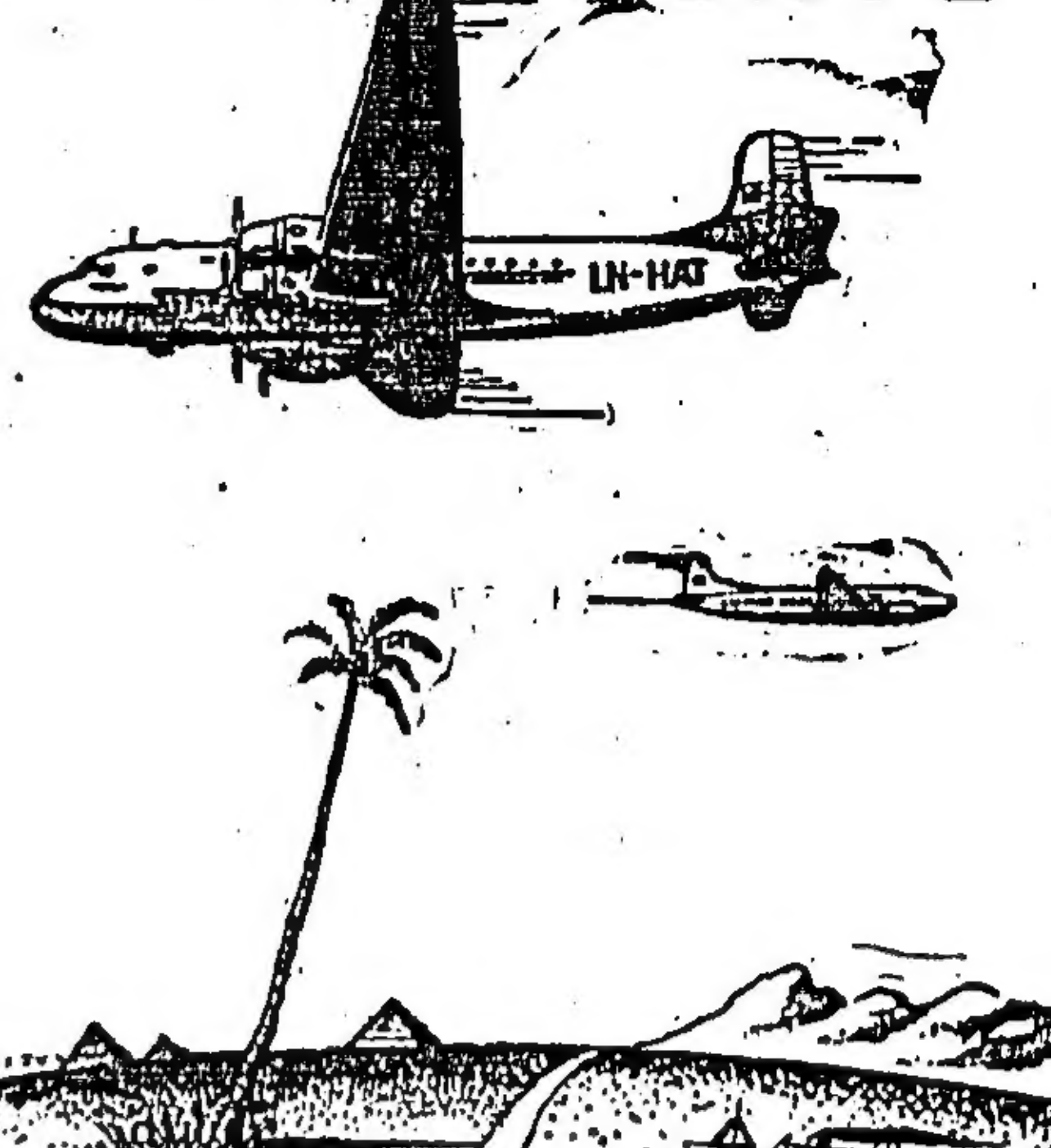
All the 58 members of the United Nations Minor Political Committee were completely in favour of Ceylon's admission, but there were still two camps adamant in their differences on the philosophy of the required resolution.

Tonight, the Committee appointed three members to frame the resolution—Colonel W. R. Hodgson, Australian; Dr. J. K. Suchy, Polish; and Brigadier General Carlos Romulo, of the Philippines. —Reuter.

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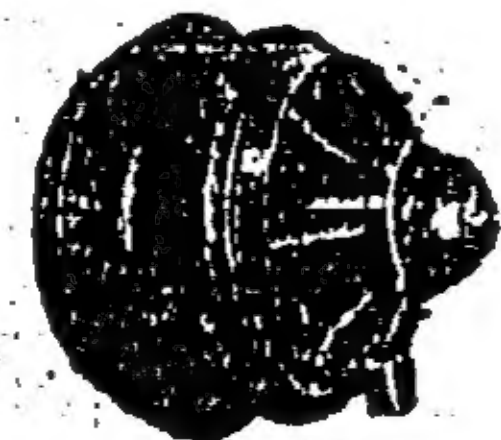
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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tip Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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NANKING PACKS

LITTLE FAITH IN NEW LINE OF DEFENCE

Nanking, December 2.

With 350,000 Government troops trapped on the Hsueh front, a thin new defence line was thrown up today only 100 miles from shaken Nanking.

The capital seemed to have little faith in the new line, manned by only 80,000 soldiers. Officials packed. Archives were boxed. Diplomats expected official word within 24 hours that the city is no longer safe.

Chinese official sources in Shanghai said, an auxiliary capital will be set up at Canton. They denied, however, that Nanking is being abandoned by the Government.

The Chinese Government tonight officially denied contemplating the removal of the capital from Nanking but at the same time it declared that it was considering assistance to those civil servants who wish to send their dependents to rural homes.

Stating that rumours had been current that the Government may remove the capital from Nanking, Dr. Hollington Tong, the Government Information Minister, said: "I wish to declare most emphatically that these rumours are entirely without foundation and the Government has not given any consideration to the question of removal."

Dr. Tong stated, however, "With a view to conserving food and other essential supplies in the capital and also removing a possible source of worry among its personnel, the Government is considering assistance to those who wish to send their dependents to rural homes."

"Page Of Glory"

Dr. Tong continued: "At this juncture I wish to stress not only has the Government not considered the question of removal, but no Central Government organs are making preparations to move."

"The Government needs now, as never before, every Government employee to remain at his post of duty and work with increased efficiency as a contribution to the national effort."

"The Government is not contemplating any large-scale reduction of its personnel. At present, Government troops at the front have chosen an advantageous area into which they have enticed the rebel forces for a major battle of annihilation."

"At the moment, our heroic officers and men are writing a new page of glory in China's history. Both Chinese and foreign correspondents who have visited the front recently were all impressed by their exceedingly high morale."

Evacuees Lashed

The Commander for the Shanghai-Nanking area, General Teng En-po, tonight lashed out at the widespread panic among various classes of people who have started to leave Shanghai and Nanking to places of safety.

General Teng appealed for public confidence in the Government's ability to defend these vital centres. He said that only through the public's co-operation could the Government stem the surging tide of the Communists.

General Teng declared that Chinese Communism is not a domestic but a world problem. What is happening in China today, he pointed out, is due to the legacy of nine years of global war.

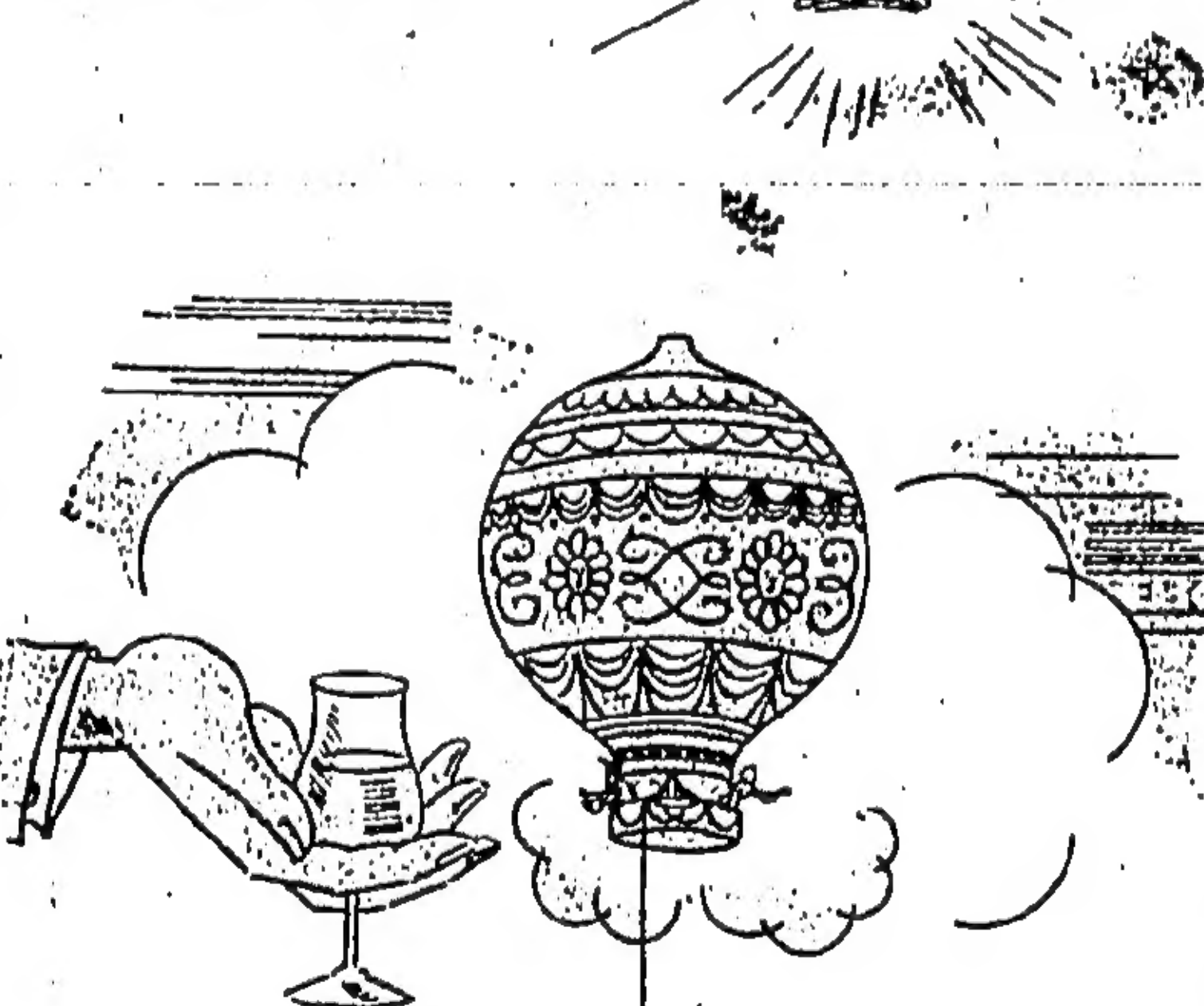
General Chien Ta-chun, commander of the Shanghai Garrison, appealed for a re-awakening of the spirit which held out successfully against the Japanese invasion of 1932 and 1937.

Mr. Cheng Chue-po, a State Councillor and president of the Sin Wan Pao, an influential Chinese newspaper which, in the past week, have published sensational reports which had aggravated the panic.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Canton, December 2.

General Chang Fa-kuei, former Director of the new defunct President's Canton Headquarters, has arrived here from Shanghai. General Chang is reported to be spending the winter in Canton.—Reuter.

BALLOON GLASSES



In recent years the fashion in Brandy glasses has shown a marked tendency to emulate the Gold-fish bowl.

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Shanghai Mystery

Shanghai, December 2.
The entire downtown area of Shanghai was blockaded last night by heavily armed Chinese military and plain-clothes police for some five hours during which coolies were observed moving heavy boxes from the Central Bank to a cable ship tied up to a jetty opposite the Bank.

Newspapermen wearing curfew armbands were not allowed through the blockade and for the entire period the Chinese Cable Office, situated in the heart of the area, was completely isolated.—Reuter.

GOLDSMITHS IN CANTON BUSY

Canton, December 2.
The city's goldsmith shops, which were badly hit during the economic crisis preceding the introduction of the Gold Yuen, are now doing flourishing business owing to the influx of a great many people from the North, who are buying gold ornaments, or who are selling such articles to live.

However, the majority of other trades and industries are not doing well.

It is estimated that more than 50 per cent of Canton's merchants are losing heavily, and it is expected that many of them will not resume business in the New Year.—Reuter.

Civil War Sweeps Towards Kalgan

Peiping, December 2.

The flames of civil war are sweeping toward Kalgan, historic gateway to Inner Mongolia, which Fu Tso-yi wrested from the Reds in 1946.

Kalgan, important centre of trade between North China and Inner Mongolia, is the capital of Chahar province. It lies on the Peiping-Suiyuan railroad 100 miles North West of Peiping. Until the Nationalist collapse in Manchuria, which forced Fu Tso-yi to abandon the two provincial capitals of Chengteh in Jehol and Paoting in Hopei, Kalgan was considered an essential keypoint in Fu's North China defence system.

Lately, however, there have been indications that Fu might call for withdrawal from Kalgan. Top factories there have been moved to Tientsin.

Pro-Government reports said 50,000 Reds are moving Eastward from Suiyuan into Southern Chahar—the same route Fu took when he swept across the Mongolian plains 26 months ago to smash the Reds and earn for himself the title of conqueror of Kalgan.

Major Development

Pro-Government reports said the vanguard of this force has already crossed the frontier into Chahar and has engaged the Nationalists around Chalkoupo on the Peiping rail line 25 miles West of Kalgan.

In Kalgan itself the nightly curfew was advanced to 9 P.M. The Chinese press reported an important development in this part of the country. It said the Mohammedan General, Ma Hsun-kwei, Governor of the North Western province of Ninghsia, had sent troops into Suiyuan to help Fu Tso-yi.

Ma previously had confined

himself to defending his own province which he rules with a firm hand. Reports said Ma co-operated with Fu in retaking Peiping 220 miles West of Peiping. He is one of those generals who would face him if the Reds conquered the whole of China.

particular, because he once had 500 Communist prisoners of war cut to death.—Associated Press.

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On social security, it stresses that everyone has the right to work, with equal pay for equal work, to free choice of employment under just and favourable conditions, and to protection against unemployment.

Workers are entitled to form and join trade unions, to have reasonable limitation of working hours and periodic holidays with pay.—Reuter.

Human Freedoms Defined By UN

Paris, December 1.

The United Nations Social Committee today adopted a new Charter of Human Freedoms, which declared that all persons are equal, irrespective of race, colour, sex, language, religion or politics.

It holds that no man should be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention or exile, nor subjected to torture, inhuman treatment or punishment.

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British Concerns Blackmailed

Tientsin, December 2.

Excitement and tension gripped Tientsin last night as evacuees prepared to board the Jardine steamer, Wingsang, sailing for Hong Kong this morning.

Unruly Nationalist soldiers provoked fear and dismay on the eve of the first major British evacuation by adopting aggressive blackmail tactics against British enterprises.

They threatened to impose physical violence upon the managers and other responsible persons in several British and other foreign concerns.

As trouble spread in the heart of the city, the bankruptcy of control over these elements was apparent.

Soldiers made demands for sums of money leaving little room for bargaining. They advanced on foreign-owned concerns in sizeable mobs of uniformed men. Police constables did not intervene.

All yesterday, foreign concerns were systematically awaked by these mobs and by nightfall, with excitement at its highest, the de-

Hundreds Vanish

At the same time, General Fu Tso-yi's "conscription" programme spread confusion in the city as hundreds of clerks in reputable British and other concerns vanished overnight to avoid being inducted into the army.

Scores of families of many untraceable potential conscripts have been detained in an effort to compel the return of the unwilling soldiers.

Only a few enterprising young men succeeded in remaining out of uniform by buying replacements.

At a meeting attended by about 50 newspapermen last night, the Garrison Command representative, Chi Chung-huan, outlined four censorship principles for them to observe.

Fighting Rumour

1.—The Political Section of the Garrison Headquarters will continue to supply news for publication, if any.

He urged the suppression of rumours and unqualified stories until officially confirmed.

2.—The Central News Agency's versions of developments in areas outside North China will be released by Headquarters and they must not be contradicted.

3.—No military withdrawals or strategic retreats are publishable until released by the Central News Agency or the Garrison Headquarters.

4.—Newspaper editorials must not mention defeats or anything contrary to the policy of the Government.—Reuter.

Tientsin Grateful For ECA Rations

Tientsin, December 2.

The Mayor of Tientsin, Mr. Tu Chien-shih, released a lengthy statement today paying tribute to the China aid programme of the Economic Co-operation Administration.

He said through the ECA's China assistance, Tientsin has been able to hold itself firm and steadfast. The Mayor declared: "The loss of Mukden and other setbacks in Manchuria have brought Peiping and Tientsin to the frontlines."

"The people here are now brought face to face with the threat of immediate war and the economic blockade. Due to the difficulty of communication and transportation created by the war against the Communists the Government's food rationing programme for the passing month has not been smoothly executed, but through the timely assistance of the Economic Co-operation Administration, Tientsin has been able to hold itself firm and steadfast."

"The people are anxious not to panic, thanks to the prompt and regular delivery of food supplies by the Economic Co-operation Administration, whose functions represent a stabilizing factor for this city."

"The people know the war makes tomorrow's fortunes vague but ECA rationing provides not only for today but also for tomorrow. We in China know these funds have been made available to us through the Economic Co-operation Administration by individual contributions of all the taxpayers of the United States."

"I therefore lend my people in giving our sincere thanks to the people of America and to assure them of our profound appreciation for what they have done through the Economic Co-operation Administration in Tientsin."—Reuter.

KUOMINTANG APPOINTMENTS

Canton, December 2.

A Special Commissioner for Kuomintang Affairs has been appointed for each Pacification Area in China according to a local report quoting reliable sources.

The appointments are said to have been made by the Central Kuomintang Headquarters, and Dr. T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung, is reported to have been the choice for the Southern Pacification Area, which includes Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Kiangsi and Fukien.—Reuter.

FILM DIRECTOR FOUND DEAD

Hollywood, December 1.

Raymond McCarey, 44, film director and brother of the noted director-producer, Leo McCarey, was found dead in his apartment, apparently a suicide, a police report today.—United Press.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second, and on 9.62 megacycles per second in the 31-metre band.

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12.15 p.m.—Catholic Prayers by the Rev. Father E. Bourke, S.J. (Studio).
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.45 p.m.—"From the Films."
1.00 p.m.—Xavier Curat and His Waldorf Astoria Hotel Orchestra.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.40 p.m.—"Music for You."
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.
2.10 p.m.—Children's Half Hour "Dragon Smoke Island" by Barnaby Twist (Studio).
2.15 p.m.—"Cantonese by Radio".
2.30 p.m.—Denny Goodman and His Orchestra.
2.40 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
2.45 p.m.—Sports Review (Studio).
2.50 p.m.—"Have a Go". A Quiz Programme introduced by Wilfred Pickles (BDUTS).
3.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).
3.10 p.m.—Grounds: "Faust" Act 1 and 2.
3.15 p.m.—"Sweet Serenade". Peter York and His Concert Orchestra with Mireille Berthoin (Soprano), Cesar Vassani (Tenor) and Marcel Journet (Bass) and other artists.
3.20 p.m.—A Chorus Programme by Louis Kentner (Piano).
3.15 p.m.—A Serial Story: "Here comes the Copper" by Henry Wade, Read by Clifford Davis (Studio).
3.45 p.m.—London Symphony Orchestra.
4.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
4.15 p.m.—"Gather News". Peter York and His Concert Orchestra with Paula Green and Steve Conway (Vocals) (BDUTS).
4.30 p.m.—Think of "These Things" by the Rev. Eric Fenn. Vocal: Rene Soames, Margaret Godley and G. Thelton Bell (Organs) (BDUTS).
4.45 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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Nanking, December 2.

"Aid Even At Risk Of War"

Washington, December 2. Representative Chester Mowbray, Republican of New Hampshire, today called for immediate military aid to China even at the risk of war with Russia.

Mowbray, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said that if Russia presents its American might as well have a showdown now.

"We have either got to assist China now or write it off, and I don't think we want to write it off," he said.

Mowbray advocated the appropriation of at least \$500,000,000 to China, with the amount for military use not specified. "If we can spend \$500,000,000 in Europe, we can certainly gamble that much to assist China, and I shall introduce a resolution immediately when Congress convenes to provide the money."

Mowbray said the resolution would propose that the President make immediately available all aid to China authorized to date. It also would propose that Chiang Kai-shek be given as many military advisers as he needs.

He said that if necessary he would cut funds for European recovery to prevent Asia from going down. Associated Press.

SOPHOULIS IS BETTER

Athens, December 1.

A medical bulletin announced today that the Greek Premier, Themistocles Sophoulis, who suffered two heart attacks last week, continued to make progress.

His temperature is normal, and he is eating and sleeping well. The bulletin added that he must avoid all fatigue.

The condition of General Napoleon Zervas, the war-time head of E.D.E.S., who collapsed on Monday with a heart attack, was also improved.

The French heart specialist, Professor Drouot, is to examine Archbishop Damaskinos, the former Regent of Greece, stated to have long suffered from a heart affection. Reuter.

NEW AIRPORT FOR AIRLIFT

Berlin, December 1.

Teget. Airport, built in the French sector at record speed to help the Berlin airlift, was formally opened with a military parade today.

Owing to the heavy fog, no planes were able to land. For the first time since the end of the war, German representatives, including the Western Lord Mayor, Frau Louise Schöeder, took their places on the reviewing stand alongside the three Western Commanders. Reuter.

Rally In Berlin Ends In Fight

Berlin, December 2.

Communist hecklers precipitated a violent fist fight in Western Berlin last night when they tried to break up a political rally.

It was the first outbreak since a Communist-called meeting in the Soviet sector on Tuesday declared the regular city government out of office and elected a new Red regime by a show of hands.

An audience of several hundred in Neukölln today was being urged by Social Democrat speakers to turn out a big vote against Communism in next Sunday's elections when the Communist hecklers interrupted.

A dozen men began throwing punches. German police, with the enthusiastic aid of the Social Democrats, threw the rowdies out of the hall. Outside the hecklers

sang, the Internationale. There were no arrests. Scores of similar rallies have been fixed for the remainder of this week in all parts of Western Berlin, and the West German police have been alerted to keep order. Police said there was no way of telling whether the hecklers came from the Soviet sector of Berlin since none was arrested. Berliners are still free to circulate from one sector to another. The Western Military Government announced last night that no member of the police can engage in any political activity beyond mere party membership. Associated Press.

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Russia Spots A New Comet

Moscow, December 1. A new comet, described as the brightest seen for 10 years, has been under observation for several days by astronomers at Stalinabad, in the far South of the USSR. The comet is easily visible to the naked eye due to its brilliance and the length of its tail—15 degrees. It can be seen at dawn in the constellation of Hydra, near the sun. Reuter.

More Ships For China Refugees

Geneva, December 1.

The International Refugee Organisation today assigned three more ships—making five altogether—to evacuate European refugees threatened by the spreading civil war in China.

They are the 3,728-ton Swedish ship, San Francisco, the 5,042-ton Norwegian Svalbard, and the 7,390-ton Panamanian Protea.

They will go to China in January or February to evacuate the remaining 3,135 refugees who have immigration visas for resettlement. If the war in China demands emergency action, all the 13,000 European refugees will be evacuated by a shuttle service, possibly to Japan.

The two other ships, the 7,403-ton Italian Castel Bianco and the 7,607-ton Argentine Wooster Victory have already left Australia. They will reach a Chinese port early in December and embark 1,700 refugees, mainly Jewish, for a Mediterranean port. Reuter.

No Optimism On Berlin Issue

Paris, December 1.

Sources close to the British and American delegations to the United Nations do not share the optimism of Dr. Juan Bramuglia, retiring President of the Security Council.

Dr. Bramuglia said today that he believed a solution to the Berlin crisis was still possible.

Although the Western Powers and Russia have agreed to allow their financial experts to co-operate with the Security Council's Neutral Committee of Experts, observers feared its work might founder as a result of the Russian action in splitting the Berlin Administration.

The Western Powers emphasized today that if the Russian actions in Berlin continued in the same direction, they would reserve the right to take other measures necessary to protect their interests.

Meanwhile, Dr. Bramuglia announced that the Committee of currency experts has been constituted, and will start work immediately.

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IRAQ'S ROLE IN PALESTINE

Baghdad, December 1.

The Regent of Iraq, Emir Abdull Ilah, in a speech from the Throne at the opening of the Iraqi Parliament today, said that Iraq has played and will play the best role in the liberation of Palestine.

He expressed confidence that with the co-operation of Arab arms, the Holy Land will be liberated. Reuter.

IN DISTRESS

The Hague, December 1. A message from the British steamer, Mesa Verde (10,400 tons), picked up by Scheveningen Radio tonight, reported that she was standing by the 400-ton Spanish motor vessel, Procyon, in distress about 25 miles west of Coruna, Northern Spain. Reuter.

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"It is in our factories, in our trade unions and in our camps," he said.

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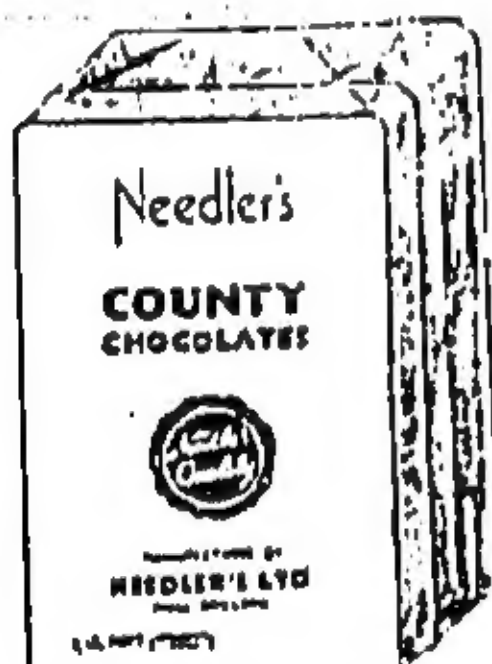
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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT A STEP NEARER

Paris, December 1.

Britain has agreed to support the French plan for a European Parliament. The British support for the French proposal marks a real step forward in reconciling the British and French views on practical steps to be taken towards a political and economic union of Europe.

Britain Opposes Ruhr Plan

London, December 1. Britain today opposed on technical grounds the French proposals for the control of the Ruhr industries which were supported in varying degrees by the Benelux representatives at a plenary session of the six-power Ruhr Conference here.

The United States delegation have not yet given their full views. The Conference hopes to draft a Statute for a Ruhr International Authority.

The French proposals are not identical with the memorandum submitted by the French Government to the British and American Governments 11 days ago but are stated to follow the same general line.

They set out three main objectives:—
1.—To prevent the creation of excessive economic concentrations.
2.—To prevent the Nazis from regaining control in any form.
3.—To provide enough control over production and equipment programmes to prevent them from becoming a danger to European security.—Reuter.

MASQUERADE OF DEMOCRACY

Berlin, December 1. The French Commandant in Berlin, General Jean Ganeval, today described as a masquerade of democracy the setting up of an Eastern Berlin City Government at yesterday's Soviet sector meeting.

In an official communique, General Ganeval warned that the artificial and somewhat ridiculous aspect of the show should not divert attention from the fact that serious consequences may result.—Reuter.

Britain's support was made conditional on the French and Benelux countries agreeing to support the British proposal for a Consultative European Council of Ministers. This condition was accepted. The marriage of the British and French ideas was urged by the International Committee for European Federation in which Mr. Winston Churchill has played a prominent part.

A sub-committee of the European Unity Committee will start work tomorrow working out the practical details.

The work of the committee is expected to occupy about three weeks. It has to elaborate the exact powers it is proposed to give the European Council and the European Parliament, its finances and its terms of reference.

The British Ambassador to Rome, Sir Victor Mallet, saw the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, today and was understood to have discussed with him the plan for a European Consultative Council.

Foreign Ministry circles in Rome said after the meeting that it seemed likely that Italy would be invited to co-operate in the European Union.

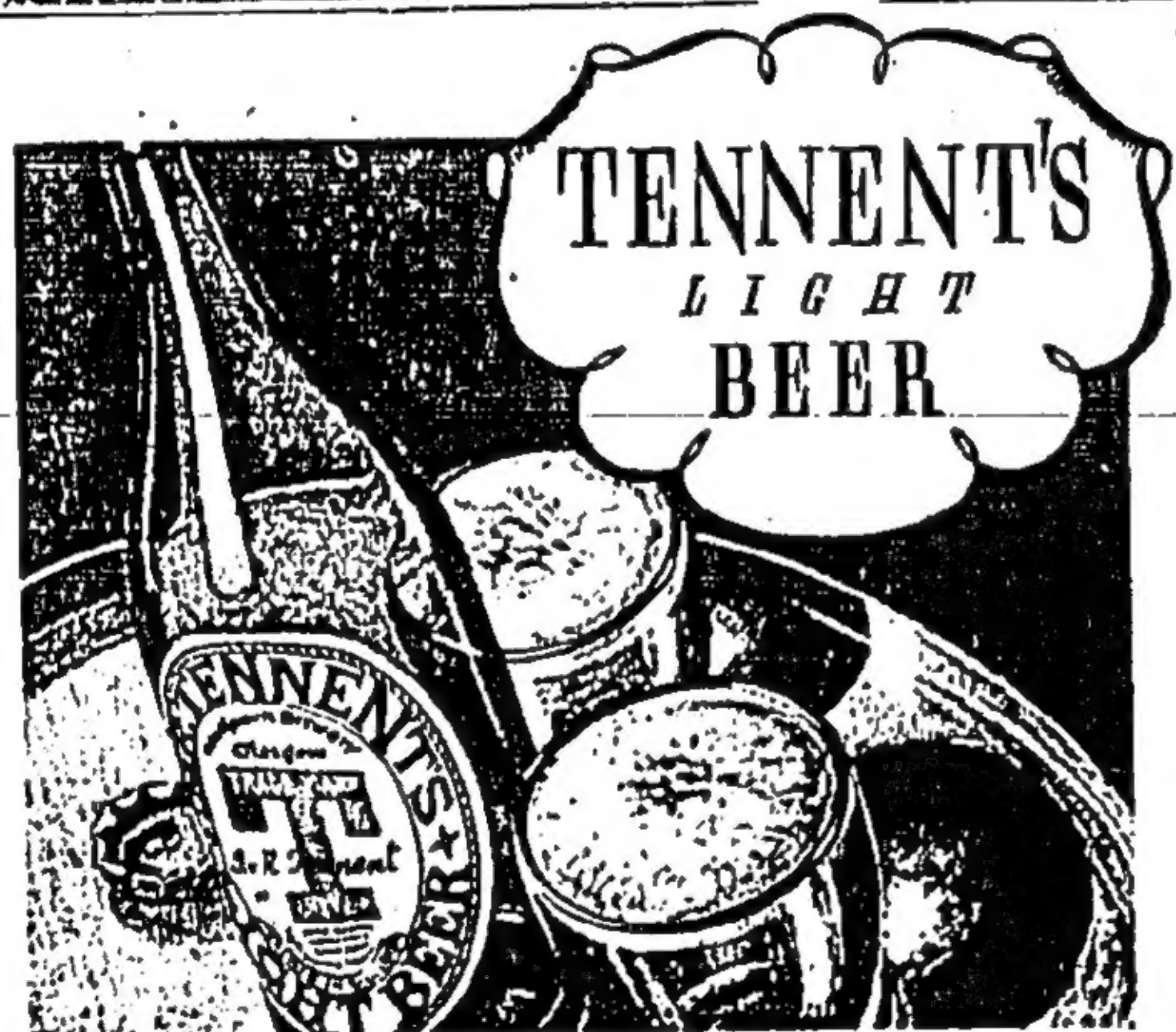
Count Sforza also heard a report from Professor Alberto Tarchini, Italian Ambassador to the United States, on his recent talks with President Truman on the Italian colonies.

Later, the Count said: "I continue to hope the improvised and empiric Anglo-American agreement regarding the future of our colonies may give way in favour of the Italian thesis."—Reuter.

DARWIN LASHED BY STORM

Darwin, December 1. A tropical cyclone of 120 miles an hour velocity lashed the Northern coast near Darwin tonight and stopped all departures from this Empire air base.

Shops were hurriedly closed and the streets cleared as the town but Darwin itself was not affected.—Reuter.



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UNIC Moving To Manila

Manila, December 2. The United Nations Information Centre for Asia is establishing a temporary office in Manila pending transfer of its Shanghai headquarters to this capital. UNIC plans to evacuate to Manila in the immediate future in view of the uncertainty of operations in Shanghai.—Associated Press.

"E" For Europe New Slogan

Paris, December 1.

Mr. Duncan Sandys, a leader of the European Unity movement, in a speech in Paris today said that the sign "E" for Europe will be appearing in the night upon the walls of Warsaw, Prague, Bucharest and other cities behind the Iron Curtain.

He told the Anglo-American Press Association that the sign was becoming increasingly the symbol of resistance.

Movements for the United States of Europe were being formed in most countries, it not all of them, within the Soviet orbit.—Reuter.

DISARMAMENT TO BE CONTROLLED

Frankfurt, December 2.

The three Western Military Governors of Germany reached almost complete agreement today on the functions, compositions and powers of a permanent Military Security Commission.

They failed to settle remaining differences on the future Occupation Statute.

A final meeting, their fourth, will be held on December 10, General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor, said tonight.

The French delegation stated that agreed and disagreed points would be submitted direct to the Western Governments for a final decision.

General Clay told reporters tonight that such a joint report to the Western Governments would be made only if the next meeting failed. The individual Governors would consult their Governments in the meantime.

The agreement on the Security Commission, which is to watch over German disarmament even after the termination of the occupation, was described by General Clay tonight as probably the most important agreement reached yet by the three Military Governors.

The new Commission would have similar functions to those of the Disarmament Commission after the first World War, he added.

A French spokesman said its powers would include the power to inspect any plant without prior announcement.—Reuter.

First Sunshine For Six Days In Europe

London, December 1.

The fog blanket was lifting from North West Europe today. The Berlin airlift was resumed, ships began to move in the Scheldt Estuary, and most airlines were running to time table. With a low hanging fog still covering most of Western Germany this morning, the airlift was restarted on a limited scale. Later, Berlin saw sunshine for the first time in six days.

The Potsdam Meteorological Office predicted the whole of Germany would be free from fog by tomorrow.

Fog caused 32 traffic accidents during the last 24 hours in Frankfurt, which also had its first snow of the winter. Air traffic at Orly and Le Bourget Airports, near Paris, was normal today. The National Weather Office again predicted fog over the Paris region. Temperatures were several degrees below freezing point.

Six hundred passengers stranded in Paris for 12 days waiting for the Queen Elizabeth left this afternoon for Cherbourg. The

liner left Southampton in bright sunshine today.

Giant Liners Sail

In Holland, bright sunshine rapidly dispersed the ground mist in low-lying places. Except for planes to Britain, air traffic was normal at Schiphol Airport.

Airline departures from Brussels were resumed after a few early morning cancellations. Fog is expected to return in Belgium tonight but less severely than in the past few days.

Shipping from Antwerp, delayed by fog in the Scheldt, was back to normal with only a slight haze. In London, the sun broke through this afternoon after the thickest night and morning of the five-days' fog. Shipping began to move in the Thames Estuary and docks.

Three giant liners—Queen Elizabeth, Queen Mary and Aquitania—left their berths in bright sunshine after hold-ups by strikes and fog, estimated to have cost the Cunard White Star Line well over £400,000. Forecasts indicated a general improvement after the longest period of consistent fog recorded since regular observations began.—Reuter.

Plot Was Inspired From Abroad

Santiago, December 2.

The Chilean Military Attorney General declared tonight that the recent right wing plot against the Government was inspired from Argentina and timed with subversive movements in other countries of Latin America.

The conclusions of his inquiry, published today, said: "The subversive movement intended to overthrow the present Government and replace it by another presided over by General Carlos Ibanez was inspired from Argentina and in close synchronism with similar movements in other Latin American countries."

He mentioned a pamphlet alleged to have been circulated among Army chiefs and officers of the Argentine Army which said: "Argentina ought to strive to exerting tutelage over America through the heroism and political genius of the Argentine Army."

The alleged leaders of the conspiracy, General Carlos Ibanez, President of Chile from 1927 to 1931, later banished to Argentina, and General Ramon Vergara, former Air Force chief and one-time Prefect of Santiago, were arrested on October 31.—Reuter.

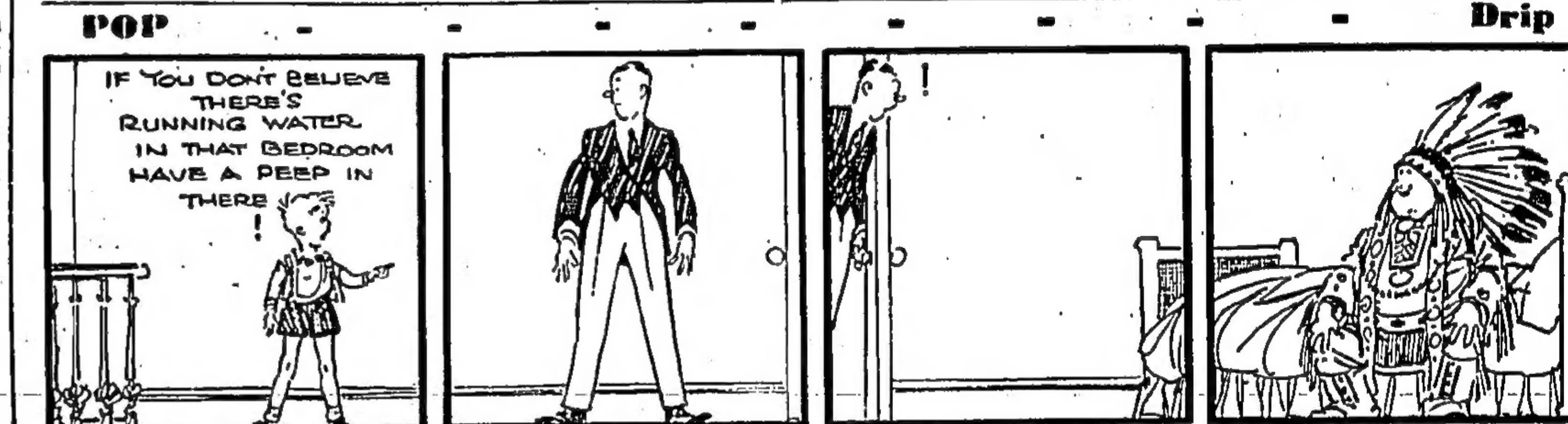
Rioting In Damascus

Damascus, December 1. Police and rioters fought a battle here today.

The disturbances began last Monday when a general strike was declared and demonstrations staged, calling for an immediate resumption of hostilities in Palestine. Some casualties were reported.

Rioters today were said to have opened fire on the police, who replied with tear-gas bombs and volleys into the air before firing at the demonstrators.

The Syrian President, Shukri Bey El Kountly, has called a meeting of Parliament tonight to consider the situation.—Reuter.



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"TITJALENGKA" from Macassar & Javaport, 12th Dec.	to Javaport & Macassar, 23rd Dec.
"TJISADANE" from Macassar & Javaport, 23rd December.	to Javaport & Macassar, 30th January.
"TASMAN" from Macassar & Javaport, 7th January.	to Javaport & Macassar, 20th January.
"TIBADAK" in port.	to Javaport & Macassar, 3rd February.

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"TJIKAMPER" from Japan & Shanghai 9th Dec.	to South Africa & South America, 15th December.
"TEGELBERG" from South America & South Africa 4th December.	to South Africa & South America, 14th January.
"RUYS" from South America & South Africa 15th January.	to South Africa & South America, 15th February.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L to Dar-Es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar accepted on all sailings.

SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

Arrivals	Sailings
"VAN RIEMSDIJK" from Amoy & Swatow 4th December.	to Straits & B. Dell, 6th December.
"TASMAN" from Amoy 7th December.	to Singapore, 8th December.

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

Arrivals	Sailings
"MOLENERK" from Europe 10th Dec.	to Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Manila & Straits, 23rd December.
"MEERKERK" from Europe early Jan.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid January.
"RIJNKERK" from Europe End January.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid February.

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m.v. "TONGHAI"	27th Jan.

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NEW JAPANESE LEGISLATION A WARNING TO THE RED MINORITY

Tokyo, December 1.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

Still quiet.
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4 1/2% Loan 1948, 1949, 1950.
5 1/2% Loan 1948, 1949, 1950.
HANKS:
H.K. & S. Bank 100%, 1800s.
Chartered Bank 511-9/10s.
Merchants Bank A. & B. 42 1/2.
Bank of East Asia 140 1/2s.
INSURANCES:
Union Ins. 170s.
China Underwriters 5,00s.
H.K. Fire Ins. 200s.
SHIPPING:
Douglas 23 1/2.
H.K. & S. Steamship 17 1/2.
Indo China 140 1/2s.
(Def.) 250s.
Shell (H.K.) 75 1/2s.
Union Waterways 37 1/2s.
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(New) 13 1/2.
North Point Wharves 7 1/2s.
H.K. Docks 2s.
China Provisional 2s.
Shanghai Dockyards 10s.
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(H.K.) 7s.
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(New) 11s.
Star Ferry 15s.
C. Light (K. R.) 13 1/2s, 14s.
14 1/2s, X.D.
H.K. Electric 25 1/2s, 14s.
Macao Electric 25 1/2s.
Sankuwa 14 1/2s.
Telephones 3s.
Shanghai Gas 6 1/2s.
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Canton Iron 7s.
Cement 27 1/2s.
H.K. Ropes 10 1/2s.
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Daily Power (Old) 42 1/2s, 44s.
(New) 42 1/2s.
Watson (Old) 6 1/2s.
(New) 6 1/2s.
I. Crawford (Old) 31s.
(New) 27s.
Sinochem 7 1/2s.
China Export 9 1/2s.
Sun Co. Ltd. 4 1/2s.
Kwang Sang Hong 12s.
Wing On (H.K.) 11 1/2s.
Wm. Powell Ltd. 11s.
MISCELLANEOUS:
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H.K. Construction (Old) 5s.
(New) 4 1/2s.
Vibro (Old) 10s.
(New) 14s.
Maramba Investments 19 1/2s.
Maramba (H.K.) 2s.
Shanghai Loan 4s.
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Korea 4 1/2s, 8s.
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Padang Rubber 1s.
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Sankuwa Rubber 1.10s.
Shanghai Rubber 2s.
Tung Rubber 1s.
Zhang Rubber 1s.

General Douglas MacArthur's statement today on the passage of the new Japanese public service legislation was interpreted by observers as a warning that the Supreme Commander will oppose efforts of the Communist minority to seize control of Japan's Government.

The new legislation governing public employees will severely handicap Japanese Communist efforts to make their influence felt through Red-dominated workers' groups.

The new legislation, which was originally suggested by General MacArthur himself, prohibits more than 2,000,000 Government workers from striking.

It was expected that General MacArthur's statement would be hailed in many American quarters. The Supreme Commander made it clear that he was opposed to letting Japan's new representative Government fall a prey to minority subjugation.

The statement was welcomed by many persons in both Allied and Japanese circles here who feel that Japan's position as a barrier against the spread of Communism in the Far East is becoming increasingly important. Some Allied quarters expressed the belief that this legislation is just the first step in a long co-ordinated programme to insure Japan's role as a democratic outpost in the event that China is completely overrun by Communist armies.

Closely Studied

General MacArthur referred to the legislation just passed by the Diet (Japanese Parliament) as a decisive advance by the Japanese people in their search for a stable and responsible government.

It is expected that this and other sections of General MacArthur's statement will be closely studied by American officials in Washington who are now reviewing America's position in the Far East. It also will be scrutinized by Americans who are interested in making investments here and who are in the process of deciding whether or not Japan is a good risk.

Japan's Diet action in passing the legislation drew the sharp attention of the Far Eastern Commission in Washington.

While the Commission made no comment, an authoritative source said the bill as passed is decidedly a matter of continuing interest to the Commission.

It is understood the Commission is awaiting a copy of the legislation as passed. After that it is considered likely that the Commission will renew its discussion of principles involved. United Press and Associated Press.

Sales Of Rubber To Soviet Russia

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, told the House of Commons today that rubber bought by Russia in or from Malaya in 1947 amounted to 37,024 tons. During the first nine months of this year these exports to Russia were 60,400 tons. Mr. Guy Lloyd, Conservative, suggested that it was madness to allow this very large quantity to go to Russia at present. Mr. Creech Jones said that it was not a very large quantity, and it was in accordance with trade arrangements with the Soviets. Router.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

London: Silver, Spot fine ounce 42 1/2d, Forward 42 1/2d; Bar, Gold per fine ounce 172 1/2, 173, 0/7.

New York: Silver, Bar (asked price) 70 cts.; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce (official) \$35.

Bombay: Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas Rupees 178, 13; Forward 178, 13; Marwar (unofficial) 177, 10; Gold, delivered, per tola 173, 10; Forward (unofficial) 174, 0/7; Gold, Sovereign 75, 0/4; (One tola is equivalent to 11.33 grams).

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Paris: Free Market Rates: Ingots: Fine Gold ingots, with delivery of counterpart per gramme 234/244 Frs.; Without counterpart 772/810; Silver ingots, per kilo 6,000s, 7,400s; Platinum ingots, per kilo 600,000s, 855,000s.—Reuter.

Money Market

Gold was firmer yesterday, opening at HK\$207.25 a tola and closing at \$209.25. It was up to \$301.25 early in the afternoon. U.S. dollars opened at HK\$3.14 1/2 and closed at \$3.13 1/2. Canton remittances were at 12 1/2 cents in the morning but later improved to 13 cents. Shanghai remittances opened at 11 1/4 cents and closed at 12 1/2 cents. Pistres were nominal at HK\$3.26 1/4 a 100. Pistres were quoted at HK\$25.00 a 100. NEI Guilders were unchanged the whole day at HK\$34.50 a 100. Sterling was weaker at HK\$14.00, while Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.54.

COMMUNISTS IN TYROL DEFEATED

Rome, December 2. Communists yesterday received their worst defeat at the polls since the nation-wide elections of last April. The two Northern Italian provinces of Trent and Alto Adige, formerly a part of Austria, had been ceded to Italy in 1919. The Communists won only two seats and their Socialist allies three.—Associated Press.

Notice To Consignees

S.S. "WOSANG"
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London Stock Exchange

London, December 1.

Shipping shares generally remained steady today, following the news of the removal of Government control in freight rates. The feature of this section, however, was the marking up of King Line shares from 92 1/2 to 95 1/2 on offer by the Union Castle Company to purchase the shares of the company at £5 each.

In other sections, the new account started on a quiet firm note. Glitchead stocks were under the hand of the longer dated issues particularly favoured. Industrials were generally steady, although there were a few small gains among iron, steel, textiles and tobacco. The market was quiet today. The market awaits political news from South Africa, following tonight's meeting of the Afrikaander Party.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2 1/2% 79 1/2 and 79 1/2
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2%, 1961, 106 1/2
Funding Loan, 4 1/2%, 1960/90, 114 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1962, 107 1/2
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Victory Bonds, 4 1/2%, 106 1/2-110

INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.H. & Ireland) 125 1/2
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Imperial Tea Company 22 1/2

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Crown Mines 10 1/4
Nanyang Mines 10 1/4
Rand Mines 5
Siberia Mines 8 1/4
Sub Nigel 4 1/2
Tavoy Tea Co. 1/3
Union Corporation 20 1/2

ROYAL DUTCH CO. 24 1/2
Shell Transport & Trading Co. 25 1/2
SHELLING:
P. & O. Steam Nav. Co. ord. 6 1/2 and 6 1/2

GIETEDGES:
Funding Loan, 3 1/2% 103-10 1/2
National War Bonds, 2 1/2% 100-20/32

100/24 100-1/16
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SAVINGS BONDS:
100/24 100-1/16
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FOREIGN BONDS:
German Loan (Dawes) 7 1/2
Japanese 5 1/2, 1927/47 2 1/2
Japanese 5 1/2, 1927/47 2 1/2
Japan & Manchuria 1927/47 2 1/2

HANKS:
Chartered Bank of India & C. 11-0/16
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank 10 1/2
Merchants Bank of India 2 1/2
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS:
Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5 1/2, 2 1/2
Ling-Tung-Hai Railway, 5 1/2, 1913 2
Reorg. Loan, 5 1/2, 1913 2
Crap Loan, 5 1/2, 1913 2
Hankow Railway, 5 1/2, 1911 2
Hunan Railway, 5 1/2, 1905 2
Shanghai Nanking Ry., 5 1/2
Kowloon Railway, 5 1/2
Sterling Bonds 11

—Reuter.

ECAFE SHELVES ISSUE AGAIN

Lake Success, December 1. The United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East today postponed action on membership applications submitted by the Netherlands East Indies and the Republic of Indonesia. A despatch from the meeting in Lapstone, Australia, said action would be delayed until December 8, or possibly until the next session.—United Press.

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S.S. "BENVRACKIE"	U.K.	Mid Jan.

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SHIP	TO	LOADING
*S.S. "BENARTY"	Aden, Port Said,	20th Dec.
†S.S. "BENNEVIS"	Havre, London,	End Dec.
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"YOHOW" Sibu & Miri 3 p.m. 9th Dec.
"YOHOW" Swatow, Amoy & 3 p.m. 9th Dec.
"SHENGKING" Amoy, Shanghai, Yokohama & Kobe 10 a.m. 10th Dec.
"SHENGKING" Shanghai 4 p.m. 10th Dec.
"SHENGKING" Kobe 4 p.m. 13th Dec.
"HEINRICH JESSEN" Singapore & Penang 4 p.m. 16th Dec.
"HUNAN" Incheon, Fuzhou & Tientsin 4 p.m. 17th Dec.

ARRIVALS FROM

"HANYANG" Swatow 9 a.m. 4th Dec.
"HEINRICH JESSEN" Singapore, Saigon & 10 a.m. 4th Dec.
"SINKIANG" Swatow, Amoy & 3 p.m. 4th Dec.
"YOHOW" Singapore, Palembang, 4 p.m. 4th Dec.
"YOHOW" Sibu & Miri 3 p.m. 7th Dec.
"YOHOW" Swatow, Amoy & 3 p.m. 7th Dec.
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"FURNEDON" Shanghai 10th Dec.
"ATREUS" Liverpool & Glasgow via Port Said 19th Dec.
"AGAPENOR" " " " 1st week Jan.

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CNAC ex-Shanghai 11.45 a.m.; ex-Hankow 1.45 p.m.; ex-Singapore 2.20 p.m.; ex-Batavia 3.40 p.m.; ex-Bombay 4.40 p.m.; ex-Canton 5.40 p.m.; ex-Hongkong 6.40 p.m.; ex-Singapore 7.40 p.m.; ex-Batavia 8.40 p.m.; ex-Bombay 9.40 p.m.; ex-Canton 10.40 p.m.; ex-Hongkong 11.40 p.m.

Departures

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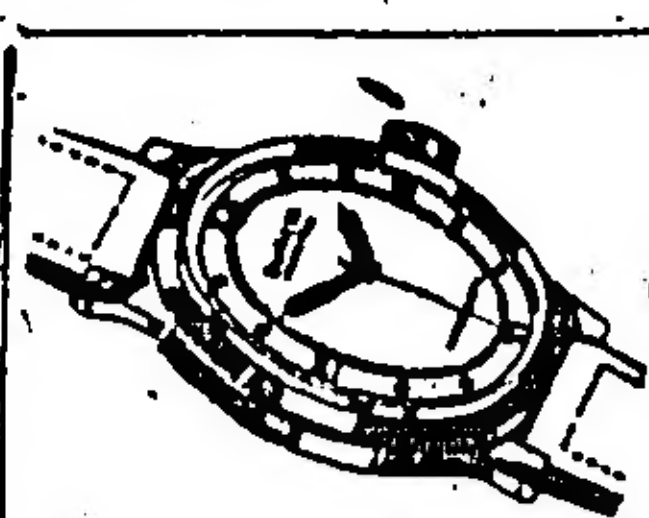
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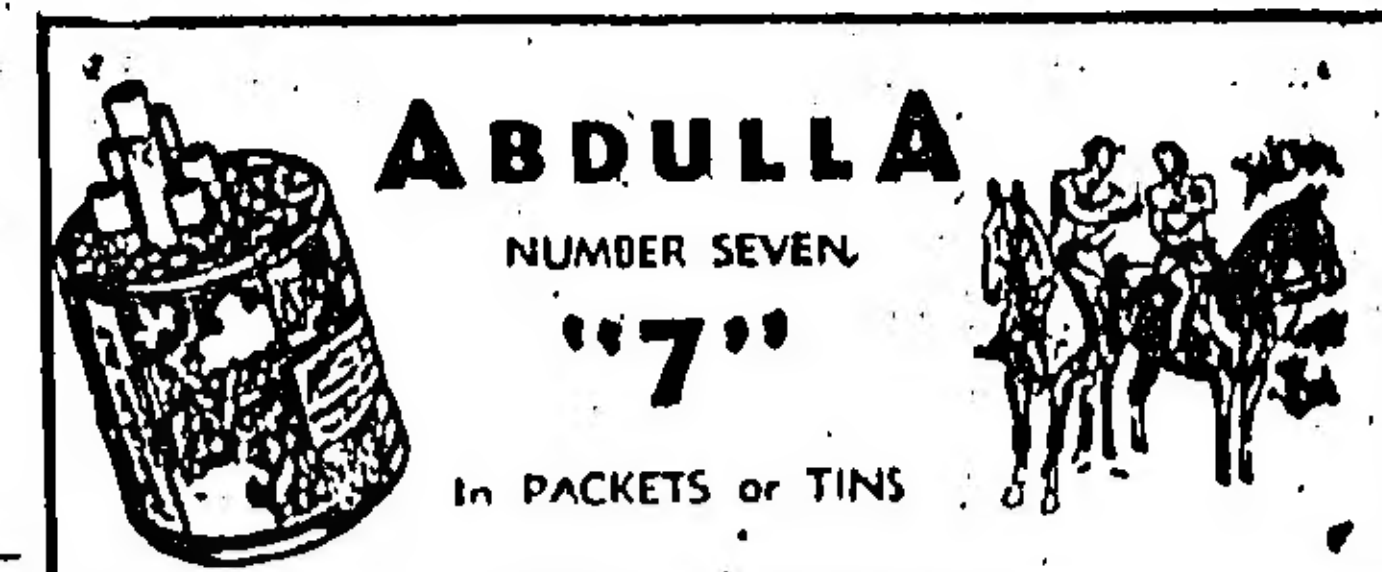


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England Beat Switzerland

London, December 2. England beat Switzerland by six goals to nil at High-bury Stadium, London, today. England were leading 3-0 at half time.—Reuter.

Schools' Athletics

An Inter-School Athletic Meeting will be held at Caroline Hill on Sunday, December 12, when approximately 865 boys and girls from different schools and colleges in the Colony will fight for honours.

The preliminary heats will be held at Caroline Hill on Sunday, December 5, and Monday, December 6.

Considerable interest is being shown by the students in this Athletic Meeting and although the majority of them have, to a certain extent, been handicapped by the lack of playing fields and training space, some good times should be recorded in the various track and field events.

The following is the programme for December 12—

10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Senior Boys: 100 metres dash (final), 400 metres hurdles (final), 100 metres dash (final), 200 metres dash (final), 400 metres dash (final), 800 metres dash (final), 1600 metres dash (final), 3200 metres dash (final), 5000 metres dash (final), 10000 metres dash (final), 20000 metres dash (final), 40000 metres dash (final), 80000 metres dash (final), 160000 metres dash (final), 320000 metres dash (final), 640000 metres dash (final), 1280000 metres dash (final), 2560000 metres dash (final), 5120000 metres dash (final), 10240000 metres dash (final), 20480000 metres dash (final), 40960000 metres dash (final), 81920000 metres dash (final), 163840000 metres dash (final), 327680000 metres dash (final), 655360000 metres dash (final), 1310720000 metres dash (final), 2621440000 metres dash (final), 5242880000 metres dash (final), 10485760000 metres dash (final), 20971520000 metres dash (final), 41943040000 metres dash (final), 83886080000 metres dash (final), 167772160000 metres dash (final), 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